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STATE 412932 078014Z PRESENT AT THE DINNER, HAD BEEN INVITED TO GO TO CHINA FOR DISCUSSIONS. LANTOS SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO GO ALONG. QIAN DID NOT RESPOND. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE DINNER, LANTOS TOOK QIAN FOR A TOUR OF THE CAPITOL, ENDING UP ON THE FLOOR OF THE HOUSE, WHERE QIAN WAS INVITED TO SIT IN THE SPEAKER'S CHAIR. THE CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER OBLIGED, TO POLITE APPLAUSE. END SUMMARY.

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TAGS: PREL, PHON, US, CH, UR, IO  
SUBJECT: CONGRESSMAN LANTOS DINNER FOR PRC FOREIGN  
MINISTER QIAN, NOV. 30

2. SUMMARY. CONGRESSMAN LANTOS, FOLLOWING INTRODUCTORY  
TOASTS AT HIS DINNER NOVEMBER 30 FOR CHINESE FOREIGN  
MINISTER QIAN QICHEN, RAISED THE SUBJECT OF TIBET.

4. CONGRESSMAN TOM LANTOS (D-CALIFORNIA) INVITED FOREIGN  
MINISTER QIAN AND HIS PARTY TO DINNER AT THE CAPITOL ON  
NOVEMBER 30. SENATOR CLAIBORNE PELL (D-R.I.), AND TWO  
CONGRESSMEN ELECT, ORTEN (D-UTAH) AND SVETT (D-N.H.) ALSO  
ATTENDED. STATE INVITEE INCLUDES ASSISTANT SECRETARY  
SCHIFTER, EAP/CH DIRECTOR KENT VIEDEHANN AND EAP/CH DEPUTY  
DIRECTOR MARK MOHR.

THE SOVIET UNION

5. AFTER WELCOMING TOASTS, CONGRESSMAN LANTOS NOTED  
FOREIGN MINISTER QIAN SERVED AS CHINA'S AMBASSADOR TO THE  
SOVIET UNION, SPOKE RUSSIAN AND WAS AN EXPERT ON SOVIET  
AFFAIRS. HE ASKED FOR THE MINISTER'S VIEWS OF THE SOVIET  
UNION. QIAN CORRECTED THE CONGRESSMAN, NOTING THAT  
ALTHOUGH HE XIAO SPENT TEN YEARS WORKING AT HIS EMBASSY IN  
MOSCOW, THE HIGHEST LEVEL HE HAD REACHED WAS POLITICAL

COUNSELOR. QIAN STATED THE SOVIET UNION WAS NOW IN  
DIFFICULTY TIMES, HAVING FAILED TO SOLVE ITS ECONOMIC  
PROBLEMS. HE COMMENTED THAT SO FAR, ECONOMIC REFORMS HAVE  
FAILED. LANTOS NOTED THAT GORBACHEV ADMITTED THIS FAILURE

IN A CANDID, POWERFUL SPEECH YESTERDAY.

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3. LANTOS THEN RAISED HUMAN RIGHTS, MAKING A FORCEFUL  
APPEAL FOR CHINA TO REMOVE THIS MAJOR OBSTACLE FROM THE  
BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP, SO THAT RELATIONS COULD RETURN TO  
THE WARM ATMOSPHERE OF PRE-TIAANNAN Days. A LANTOS  
STAFFER HANDED OUT A 20-PAGE LIST OF POLITICAL PRISONERS  
IN CHINA AND TIBET. THE STAFFER, FROM THE CONGRESSIONAL  
HUMAN RIGHTS FOUNDATION, ADDED THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO  
ORGANIZE A DELEGATION OF INTERNATIONAL OBSERVERS, AT THE

7. SENATOR PELL THEN RAISED THE SUBJECT OF TIBET, ASKING  
IF CHINA WOULD PERMIT THE SAME AUTONOMY FOR TIBET THAT THE  
SOVIETS PERMIT FOR XIEV.

INVITATION OF THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT, TO MONITOR THE  
TRAILS AND REPORT THEM TO CONGRESS AND THE INTERNATIONAL  
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22. QIAN THANKED LANTOS FOR THE DINNER. LANTOS THEN  
ESCORTED THE CHINESE DELEGATION FOR A TOUR OF THE CAPITOL.  
ON THE FLOOR OF THE HOUSE, LANTOS EXPLAINED TO QIAN THE  
ELECTRONIC VOTING PROCEDURES. HE THEN INVITED QIAN TO SIT  
IN THE SPEAKER'S SEAT, NOTING THAT THIS WAS A GREAT  
HONOR. QIAN COMPLIED, AND FOLLOWING THIS GESTURE, LANTOS  
SIO HIS CHINESE DINNER GUESTS GOODBYE.

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